

## [Subcommittee Print]

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[Reflecting the actions of the Subcommittee on Disability and Memorial Affairs of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs on November 29, 2023]

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118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4190

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Restoring Benefits to  
5 Defrauded Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REISSUANCE BY THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-**  
2 **FAIRS OF ESTATES OF DECEASED BENE-**  
3 **FICIARIES FOR CERTAIN BENEFITS PAID BY**  
4 **THE SECRETARY AND MISUSED BY FIDU-**  
5 **CIARIES.**

6 Section 6107 of title 38, United States Code, is  
7 amended—

8 (1) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as  
9 subsections (d) and (e), respectively;

10 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
11 lowing new subsection (c):

12 “(c) REISSUANCE OF AMOUNTS IN THE CASE OF A  
13 DECEASED BENEFICIARY.—(1) If a beneficiary described  
14 in subsection (a) predeceases a payment under subsection  
15 (a) or (b), the Secretary shall pay such benefits, subject  
16 to paragraph (2), to an individual or entity in accordance  
17 with section 5121 of this title.

18 “(2) The Secretary may not make a payment under  
19 this subsection to a fiduciary who misused benefits of the  
20 beneficiary.”; and

21 (3) in subsection (e), as redesignated, by strik-  
22 ing “subsection (a) or (b)” and inserting “this sec-  
23 tion”.